

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
EUGENE DISTRICT

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OR 57527

CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION REVIEW
Exception Criteria Review Checklist

Proposed Action: Right-of-way grant for use of existing Lane County road with additional width for one culvert replacement
Review the proposed action against each of the ten criteria listed below. If the project meets one or more of the criteria, it is an exception from categorical exclusion and MUST be analyzed in an EA or EIS. To qualify as a Categorical Exclusion the proposed action may not meet any of the criteria. If the criterion does not apply, indicate "Not Applicable." Any mitigation measures (such as contract stipulations or terms and conditions on permits) necessary to ensure that the proposed action qualifies as a categorical exclusion should be identified at the bottom of the page.

<u>Exception Criteria</u>		<u>Comments</u>
1.	Have significant adverse effects on public health or safety	No
2.	Have adverse effects on unique resources (i.e., parks, recreation, refuge lands, wilderness areas, wild or scenic rivers, wetlands, flood plains, etc.)	No
3.	Have highly controversial environmental effects	No
4.	Have highly uncertain environmental effects or involve unique or unknown environmental risks	No
5.	Establish a precedent that could result in significant impacts	No
6.	Be directly related to other actions having cumulatively significant effects	No
7.	Have adverse effects on cultural or historical resources	
8.	Have adverse effects on species listed or proposed as threatened or endangered or have adverse effect on designated critical habitat for these species.	
9.	Require compliance with E.O. 11988 (flood plain management), E.O. 11990 (protection of wetlands), or the Fish & Wildlife Coordination Act	No
10.	Threaten to violate Federal, State, Local or Tribal law or requirements imposed for the protection of the environment	No
Mitigation measures needed to qualify as CE: None.		

Reviewed By: Don Wilbur Date: 7/30/02
Above mitigation measures have been adopted and will be implemented.

Field Manager: Emily Rice Date: 7/31/02

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DECISION RECORD
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Background: Lane County, Oregon, has applied for a right-of-way grant issued pursuant to 43 CFR 2800 over existing county road 353 (Hills Creek Road), approximately 0.46 miles in length. Under the provisions of R.S. 2477 (repealed by FLPMA in 1976), the County already has a valid right-of-way for the subject road, since the road was constructed prior to the repeal of R.S. 2477. The width of the existing right-of-way is 40 feet. The County is also requesting additional right-of-way width necessary for lengthening a culvert that crosses the road on BLM lands in portions of Lot 3, Section 21, T. 18 S., R. 1 W., W.M. Under R.S. 2477, a right-of-way was authorized by construction of the road without need for any approval from the administering federal agency. Therefore, R.S. 2477 roads are not evidenced by a document recorded in the public records. The issuance of this grant would both widen the existing right-of-way, in a portion of Lot 3, to facilitate construction of the culvert, and document in recordable form, the authorization of the entire right-of-way.

Proposed Action: The proposed action is the issuance to Lane County of a perpetual right-of-way grant for the use and maintenance of an existing county road pursuant to the authority of Title V of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1761), subject to the terms and conditions in 43 CFR 2801 and those additional stipulations in the attached Exhibit B. The proposed right-of-way is 40 feet in width, except for the additional area needed for culvert extension, (see attached maps) and crosses approximately 0.46 miles of public land. The grant should be issued in recordable form. No bonding should be required.

Decision: It is my decision to grant a right-of-way approximately 0.46 miles long and 40 feet in width (except where noted on the attached maps), for the use and maintenance of an existing county road, to Lane County, Oregon, for a perpetual term, across the following public land:

T. 18 S., R. 1 W., W.M.
Sec. 15: Lot 14
Sec 21: Lots 3, 7, 8

The grant is made under the authority of Title V of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1761) and subject to the terms and conditions in 43 CFR 2801. The grant shall also be subject to the stipulations in the attached Exhibit B. The grant shall be issued in recordable form.

Rationale: The proposed action meets the criteria for the categorical exclusion in departmental manual 516 DM 6, Appendix 5.4E(16)(Acquisition of easements for an existing road or issuance of leases, permits, or right-of-way for the use of existing facilities, improvements, or sites for the same or similar purposes.), and none of the exceptions in 516 DM 2, Appendix 2, apply. Further, the action is in conformance with the "Record of Decision for Amendments to Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management Planning Documents within the Range of the Northern Spotted Owl" (April 1994), and the "Eugene District Record of Decision and Resource Management Plan" (May 1995).

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